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Examiner: Amelia L. Rutledge

For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR REPRODUCING CONTENT AND INFORMATION
STORAGE MEDIUM THEREFOR

APPLICANTS' STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

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Sir:

The Interview Summary mailed on September 25, 2007, for the personal interview conducted on September 19, 2007, between Examiner Amelia L. Rutledge and the undersigned attorney is acknowledged. The following applicants' statement of the substance of the interview is being provided as required in the Interview Summary pursuant to MPEP 713.04.

During the interview, the attorney pointed out that Lamkin et al. (Lamkin) (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0078144) does not disclose or suggest the feature "wherein the interpreter executes the cookie generation command program of the command program to: generate a cookie comprising: cookie data to be used by the interactive digital content reproducing apparatus in a subsequent interactive digital content reproducing operation performed in the interactive digital content reproducing apparatus; and a domain attribute identifying the interactive digital content reproducing apparatus as a domain; and store the cookie in the non-volatile data storage portion of the data storage unit" now recited in independent claim 1, or the feature "wherein the cookie generation command program controls the interactive digital content reproducing apparatus to: generate a cookie comprising: cookie data to be used by the interactive digital content reproducing apparatus in a subsequent interactive digital content reproducing operation performed in the interactive digital content

reproducing apparatus; and a domain attribute identifying the interactive digital content reproducing apparatus as a domain; and store the cookie in the non-volatile data storage portion of the data storage unit" now recited in independent claim 52, or "generating a cookie using the cookie generation command program, the cookie comprising: cookie data to be used by the interactive digital content reproducing apparatus in a subsequent interactive digital content reproducing operation performed in the interactive digital content reproducing apparatus; and a domain attribute identifying the interactive digital content reproducing apparatus as a domain; and storing the cookie in the non-volatile data storage portion of the data storage unit" as now recited in independent claim 67.

The attorney pointed out that these features of claims 1, 52, and 67 are described, for example, in the example of a cookie generation command program on pages 7-9 of the specification (note the path attribute "dvd:" in the setCookie command on page 8, line 21), and in paragraphs [0050]-[0053] and [0101] of the specification.

The attorney pointed out that the most relevant portion of Lamkin with respect to these features of claims 1, 52, and 67 appears to be paragraphs [0202] through [0218] on pages 11 and 12 of Lamkin, which describe various cookies used in Lamkin's system. However, the attorney pointed out that none of Lamkin's cookies contains "a domain attribute identifying the interactive digital content reproducing apparatus as a domain" as now recited in claims 1, 52, and 67.

The Examiner said that the most relevant of Lamkin's cookies with respect to these features of claims 1, 52, and 67 appears to be the platform cookie described in paragraph [0209] of Lamkin, which contains unique hardware information, including a hardware identifier for the device. However, the attorney pointed out that this hardware identifier is apparently provided to identify the particular device so, for example, Lamkin's system can determine what commands are supported by the device for use, for example, in the multiple user synchronous application described, for example, in paragraph [0182] of Lamkin, which was relied on by the Examiner in the Final Office Action of May 1, 2007. Furthermore, the attorney pointed out that, in any event, nothing in Lamkin discloses or suggests that Lamkin's hardware identifier is, or contains, "a domain attribute identifying the interactive digital content reproducing apparatus as a domain" as now recited in claims 1, 52, and 67.

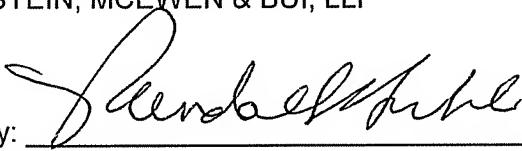
The attorney also briefly discussed new claims 68-70, and pointed out that Lamkin does not disclose or suggest the feature "wherein the system variable is a play state system variable of the interactive digital content reproducing apparatus" recited in new claim 69, or the feature "wherein the system variable is a parental level system variable of the interactive digital content reproducing apparatus" recited in new claim 70.

The Examiner said she would conduct a new search for the new features recited in claims 1, 52, 67, 69, and 70 discussed above.

Respectfully submitted,

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